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BASIC PHOTO INTERPRETATION RECOGNITION TEST

This test will indicate your facility in recognising objects on average quality, medium scale, air photographs. No one is expected to answer all the questions. Do not be depressed if you miss most of them. The photograph will be shown again toward the end of the course. You will find yourself able to recognize much more. Answers will be discussed then.

The photograph is a German reconnaissance photograph of a Russian industrial district, taken during World War II.

Speed is not essential. Take as long as you wish within reason.

INSTRUCTIONS:

Place photo with clock-face at your lower left.

See that the acetate overlay is firmly clipped in place.

With the grease pencil, write your name in upper right corner of overlay. Write neatly or it will smear.

Draw the outlines of the clock and the black box in the upper left corner on the overlay to mark where the overlay belongs on the photograph.

Now look over the whole list of questions BEFORE STARTING TO ANSWER THEM. There is an important note at the end.

QUESTIONS:

Can you recognize these things? If so, mark the required symbol with your grease pencil on the overlay over the item you see.

Warning: Not all the items asked for actually appear on the photograph. If you think a certain type of installation, for instance, an aircraft plant, is not on the photograph, mark "NO" after the question on this test acetate sheet. Correct "NO" answers count double.

MAKE YOUR ANNOTATIONS NEAT AND PRECISE.

1) Mark "RR" over 3 railroad lines, ~~like this:~~

2) Mark "M" over 2 motor roads, ~~like this:~~

3) Mark "W" over a body of water (not a drainage ditch).

4) Mark "R" over a residential section (blocks of homes or apartments).

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5) Mark "B" over a barracks or labor camp.

6) Mark "WH" over groups of warehouse buildings.

7) Mark "L" over a locomotive.

8) Draw the outlines of 3 industries.

9) Draw an arrow pointing in the direction you think is north (Good guess counts double).

10) Mark "AA" over an anti-aircraft gun battery.

11) Mark "ZZ" over trenches or ground fortifications.

12) Under your name, write how many miles or feet you think there are from one side of the photograph to the other. (Good guess counts triple)

13) Mark "Y" over a railroad yard (many sidings).

14) Draw a circle around a group of tanks.

15) If you think they are petroleum tanks, write "P" in the circle

16) Mark with an "H" anything you see that confirms the general date of the photo. (Written in the clock) This may not apply to certain photos.

17) Mark "XX" over a war-damaged building.

18) Mark "E" over an electric power station.

19) Mark "S" over an open storage pile (Gravel, ore, coal, etc.).

20) Mark "A/F" over an airfield

21) Write "Metal" over a machine shop or engineering works.

22) Write "PR" over a petroleum refinery.

23) Write "AL" over an alumina or aluminum manufacturing plant.

24) Write "Coke" over a coke-oven.

25) Write "Brick" over a brick or ceramics factory.

26) Write "Ammo" over an ammo plant or dump.

27) Write "Chem." over a chemical plant.

28) Write "Radio" over a radio station

29) Write "Trans." over a transformer yard or electric sub station.

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30) Write "A/C" over an aircraft or aeroengine plant.

31) Draw a triangle around an electric power pylon.

32) Write "canal" over a navigable canal (not a drainage ditch.)

IMPORTANT: If there is a technical term that confuses you in the above questions, underline it and write "??" in front of the question. Please help us on this, so we can make our questions clear.

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